SUBJECT No. 36.

Reduction in the percentage of members forming the quorum to elect members to the Tank Panchayets.

Messrs. Hampaiya, Sidlaghatta Municipality; Rame Gowda, Sidlaghatta Taluk.

Mr. Hampaiya.—It has been found impracticable to make a majority of the voters meet at the time of the meetings for election of members for the constitution of Tank Panchayets. In a few cases, the elections have been stopped for years together, for want of a quorum. The present rule may be suitably modified so that the number of voters may be reduced to 15 per cent in the case of tanks in respect of which the number of voters are 100 and above, and to 25 per cent in cases where the number of voters are less than 100.

Dewan.—Will be considered.

SUBJECT No. 37.

Recovery of *bandh* charges from raiyats during the Resurvey operations.

Mr. H. Basavegowda, Hassan District Board.

Mr. D. S. Hanumantha Rao.—All the charges on account of *bandhs* are borne by the villagers and still some charges are levied by the Survey Department towards this work.

Superintendent of Revenue Survey.—Towards the wages of *bandh* peons, a small fee of about 4 pies is levied.

Mr. Thimmappaiya.—It is unfair that the raiyats should bear this charge when they have contributed labour and when *bandh* peons do no work for them.

Dewan.—The matter will be enquired into.

SUBJECT No. 38.

Measurement of vacant building sites in villages.

Messrs. Seenappa and Rudrappa, Hoskote Taluk.

Mr. Seenappa.—The extent of Government and occupied vacant sites in villages is not being entered in the Registers now, and in villages where survey has been completed, all the available vacant sites have not been measured. The vacant sites are measured whenever applications are received for the same. The result is that sites are granted in irregular dimensions and buildings are allowed to be constructed without any regard to sanitary principles. There are also chances of the sites being encroached upon by adjacent occupants. To prevent such irregularities, vacant sites in villages may be divided into sites of suitable dimensions and the measurements recorded in the *Khaneshumari* account; the wells and temples meant for the use of the public may be registered under different numbers in the *Khaneshumari*.

Dewan.—Will be considered.

PROTECTION.

LEGISLATION.

(Nos. 39 to 43.)

SUBJECT No. 39.

(1) A non-official Indian Christian member for the Legislative Council.

(2) A member to the Legislative Council from each

Mr. J. R. Isaac.—(1) My request is for the nomination of a non-official Indian Christian for the Legislative Council. Our community is not so far represented in that Council and it is one of the most literate communities in the State, as every one here is aware. Practically, illiteracy